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Students to represent N.B. in Dictée des Amériques junior competition (08/03/12)

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FREDERICTON (CNB) - Five francophone high school students will represent New Brunswick in the junior category at the Dictée des Amériques, Education Minister Kelly Lamrock announced today.

Those qualifying for the finals to be held in Quebec City on March 13 are Maty Bâ of École L'Odyssée in Moncton; Zoé Lessard Couturier, Amélie Hendriks, and Marie-Pierre Hendriks of Cité des Jeunes A.-M. Sormany in Edmundston and Frédéric Laplante of Polyvalente W.-A.-Losier in Tracadie-Sheila.

More than 250 students from 16 Francophone high schools in New Brunswick participated in the qualifying round that was held in February.

"I want to congratulate all of the students who entered the first round of the Dictée des Amériques and particularly the five finalists," Lamrock said. "Seeing students participate and succeed in these types of educational competitions are a natural fit with our *When kids come first* vision to build the best education system in the country."

The Dictée des Amériques is a friendly international spelling competition intended to promote the correct use of the French language. Representatives from various countries in Europe, Africa, Asia, and the Americas take part in this annual event.

For more details on the finals, visit the Dictée des Amériques website:
<http://www.dicteedesameriques.com>.

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